

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 7, 2008

Richard A. Bennett, Treasurer Snowe for Senate P.O. Box 2006 Portland, ME 04104

Response Due Date: September 8, 2008

Identification Number: C00291955

Reference:

July Quarterly Report (4/01/08 - 6/30/08)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Senate Public Records Office by the response date noted above. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following item:

Your report discloses \$1,475.00 from Olympia Snowe in Offsets to Operating Expenditures on Line 14 Column A, of the Detailed Summary Page. However, your report does not include a memo text detailing the nature of this offset. Please be advised that if there are not corresponding expenditures for these entries, it may constitute an excessive or prohibited contribution. Please amend your report to provide an explanation for this entry. $(11 \text{ CFR } \S 104.3(a)(4)(v))$

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problems should be filed with the Senate Public Records Office. Please contact the Senate Public Records Office at (202) 224-0322 for instructions on how and where to

file an amendment. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1165.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Hough

Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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